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Senate Bill No. 46

Senate, March 25, 2014

The Committee on Children reported through SEN. BARTOLOMEO of the 13th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING PESTICIDES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10-231b of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

3 (a) No person, other than a pesticide applicator with supervisory
4 certification under section 22a-54 or a pesticide applicator with
5 operational certification under section 22a-54 under the direct
6 supervision of a supervisory pesticide applicator, may apply pesticide
7 within any building or on the grounds of any school, other than a
8 regional agricultural science and technology education center. This
9 section shall not apply in the case of an emergency application of
10 pesticide to eliminate an immediate threat to human health where it is
11 impractical to obtain the services of any such applicator provided such
12 emergency application does not involve a restricted use pesticide, as
13 defined in section 22a-47.

14 (b) No person shall apply a lawn care pesticide on the grounds of

15 any public or private preschool or public or private school with
16 students in grade [eight] twelve or lower, except that (1) on and after
17 January 1, 2006, until July 1, 2010, an application of a lawn care
18 pesticide may be made at a public or private school with students in
19 grade eight or lower on the playing fields and playgrounds of such
20 school pursuant to an integrated pest management plan, which plan
21 (A) shall be consistent with the model pest control management plan
22 developed by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental
23 Protection pursuant to section 22a-66l, and (B) may be developed by a
24 local or regional board of education for all public schools under its
25 control, and (2) an emergency application of a lawn care pesticide may
26 be made to eliminate a threat to human health, as determined by the
27 local health director, the Commissioner of Public Health, the
28 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection or, in the case
29 of a public school, the school superintendent.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2014	10-231b
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KID *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which extends the prohibition of pesticides on school grounds, to public and private schools with students in grade 12 or lower, is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact, as pesticide free products are available to local and regional school districts at similar costs.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Sources: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/ipm/>

OLR Bill Analysis**SB 46*****AN ACT CONCERNING PESTICIDES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill extends restrictions on the use of lawn care pesticides on school grounds to public and private high schools (schools with students in grades nine through 12). Current law restricts such pesticide use at public and private (1) preschools and (2) schools with students through grade eight, except for emergency applications to eliminate a threat to human health.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2014

BACKGROUND***Lawn Care Pesticides***

By law, a lawn care pesticide is one registered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and labeled according to the federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act for use in lawn, garden, and ornamental sites or areas (CGS § 10-231a (2)).

Related Bill

sSB 68, reported favorably by the Environment Committee, permits the use of certain pesticide products on the grounds of public or private (1) preschools and (2) schools with students in grade eight or lower.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Committee on Children

Joint Favorable

Yea 8 Nay 4 (03/11/2014)